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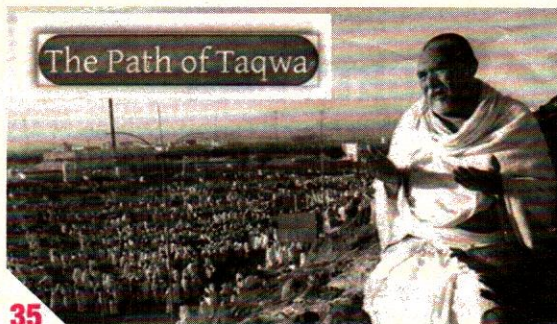
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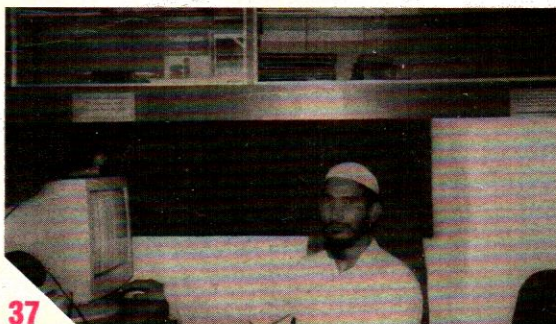
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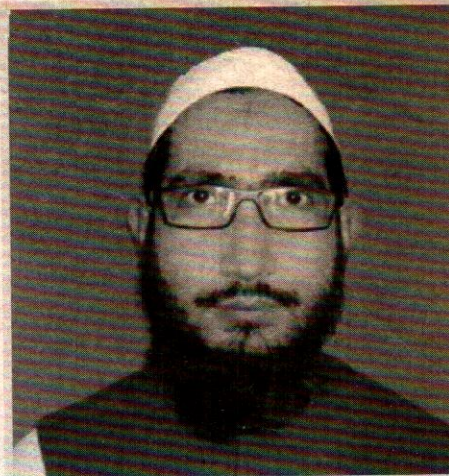


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Mufti Muhammadullah Khalili Makes Waves

MUFTI MUHAMMADULLAH KHALILI MAKES WAVES

By Muddassir Ahmad Qasmi



A well-known religious scholar, philanthropist and a known name, Maulana Badruddin Ajmal Al-Qasmi took a unique initiative in 1994. He got an inspiration from Almighty Allah to set up an institution to hone the skills of graduates of madaris with English language and computer savviness. Today this institution Markazul Ma'arif Education and Research Center (MMERC), has gained some considerable acceptance as an attempt to bridge the gap between ulama and mainstream Indian ethos.

It was a new idea, but it gained currency as a worthy attempt both within the confined world of madrasas and outside it, and even

beyond India. In a short span of time, a raft of ten institutions of India adopted the DELL (Diploma in English Language and Literature) course, promoted by MMERC, and appointed faculty from the institution to teach the same curriculum taught at it.

However, this institution has achieved some success in propagation of Islamic teachings and removing misconceptions about them in the project with inputs from patrons' and Muslims outside the purlieu of the madrasa system.

Other institutions have followed suit in the lead given by MMERC, most notably, Darul Uloom Deoband and Aligarh Muslim University, although

the latter has given it a different shape.

Beside the exclusivity of this course and sincerity of its founders, in fact, MMERC has won plaudits for the knowledge ability of graduates, as it is said "A tree is known by its fruits". It is heartening to note that everywhere, by the grace of Almighty Allah, MMERC alumni are doing their best for the sake of educational, social and cultural upliftment. Therefore, the editorial team of Eastern Crescent (EC) has decided to publish a regular column on MMERC alumni's achievements to set benchmarks for new graduates of madrasas. Your magazine will bring a new star in each succeeding issue for your readership.

He speaks less but when he speaks, makes you speechless. He is a brilliant student and stands second out of one thousand students in the final year of world famous Islamic university, Darul Uloom Deoband. Later he goes to obtain Takmil-e-Adab (Special Arabic Literature Course) and Takmil Ifta (Mufti

Course) (Special Islamic Jurisprudence, Fiqh) from the same madrasa. Yes, he is Mufti Muhammadullah Khalili Qasmi born on 14 October, 1979, son of Qari Abdus Salam Muztar. He belongs to Hanswar, Dist. Ambedkar Nagar, UP.

Mufti Muhammadullah Khalili Qasmi got a good opportunity to study at the two-year diploma course at MMERC after going through a tough entrance exam and quite successfully, he completed it with second position in the final year in 2000-2001. As he was among the top ranked students, MMERC selected

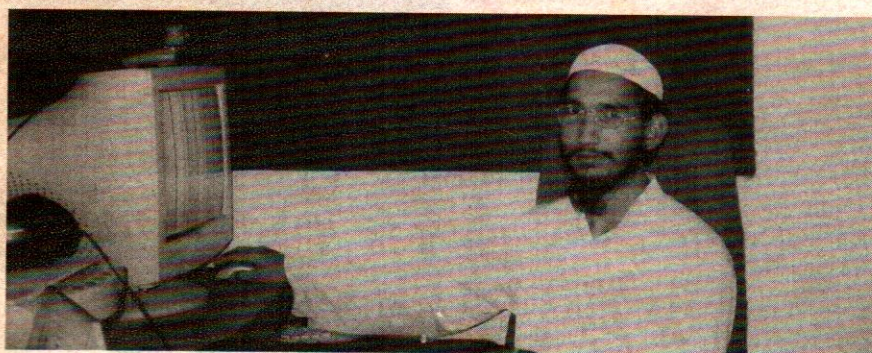
him as a research trainee where he worked on Madrasa Education: Its Strength and Weakness. This research work got published by Manak Publications, Delhi in 2005. MMERC provided him a chance to learn computer science and web monitoring program. He began his professional career as an online mufti at MMERC Mumbai, which landed him a job at Darul Uloom, Deoband.

At present, he is the web editor of Darul Uloom Deoband's Fatwa

Website www.darulifta-deoband.org that is world's largest bilingual fatwa portal. He is serving as a coordinator of Online Fatwa and Communication Department in Darul Uloom Deoband. He edits and monitors the web portal "Online Deoband" [www.deoband.net] that is an authentic Islamic portal and has a large viewership across the world.

The mufti has penned more than ten books on writing which display his skills. These include Silk Letter

Movement (English), Darul Uloom Deoband Ka Itihas (Hindi), Madrasa Education: Its Strength and Weakness (English), Islamic Speeches (English) and Darul Uloom Deoband ke 150 Saal ki Jamey w Mukhtasar Tareekh (Urdu). It is worth mentioning that he has been contributing articles in English and Urdu on religious, social and other topics to various magazines, newspapers and blogs.



In a short span of time, a raft of ten institutions of India adopted the DELL (Diploma in English Language and Literature) course, promoted by MMERC,

It is interesting to know that he has 15 different degrees which we cannot bring in your notice in the magazine owing to limited space. Some are already mentioned and here is a brief list of other educational qualifications:

Courses	Year	Institution	Position
National Eligibility Test for Lectureship + Junior Research Fellowship (in Comparative Study of Religions & Islamic Studies)	2009 2010	University Grants Commission, New Delhi (Govt. of India)	NET-JRF in Two Subjects
MA (English)	2012-13	Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad	NET-JRF in Two Subjects
MA (Islamic Studies)	2009-10	Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi (Central University)	1st Division
BA Honours Arabic [with English & Political Science]	2006-8	Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi (Central University)	1st Division
Diploma in Teaching English (= B Ed)	2009	Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad	'O' Level
Diploma in English Language and Literature (Full Time 2 Year)	2000 2001	Markazul Ma'arif Education & Research Centre (MMERC) Mumbai & Delhi	2nd Position
Diploma in Journalism & Mass Communication	2010	Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad	
Computer Applications	2002	MMERC, Mumbai	
Diploma in Functional Arabic	2007-8	National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL), New Delhi (Govt. of India)	'O' Level

Mufti Muhammadullah Qasmi has done a lot of deeni work keeping in mind the sole objective of MMERC and yet there are new worlds to be conquered, as they say (Sitaron say aagy jahan aur bhi hain) There are many more worlds beyond the stars.